

Career Preparedness Questionnaire

The North Central Youth Council / Regional Career Education Partnership would like to assist you in preparing youth for the world of work. We would like to learn more about what you already offer to your students and ask that you complete the following survey.

We would also like to establish a point of contact in your school district that would be able to disseminate career related / labor market information to all of your schools to include principals, guidance counselors, teachers, and perhaps even parents, etc. Can you please provide us with the appropriate person's name and contact information in the space below?

School District:

Contact Name:

Title:

Email Address:

Telephone#:

1: What programs or services are you providing to address the Career Education and Work Standards?

2: Do you have specific classes to address career choices?

At what grade levels?

What curriculum or resources are you using to address career guidance?

3: Do you incorporate the PA Career Guide into your lessons?

Do you incorporate the Commonwealth Workforce Development System(CWDS) or CareerLink services as part of your career guidance curriculum?

4: Are you familiar with CareerLink and the services provided?

How are you utilizing CareerLink in your program?

5: Are you familiar with Work Readiness Skill Standards?

Is it being offered in your school? At what grade level?

6: Does your school provide a career fair type activity?

Is it part of an assignment?

Grades that participate?

Are parents invited to attend?

7: Are you aware of the skills employers in our area are looking for in their employees?

Are you familiar with the Pennsylvania / North Central PA Industry Clusters through the Department of Labor and Industry?

Are you aware of High Priority Occupations?

Industry Partnerships?

Other Labor Market Information?

8: Are you aware of or use the following Career Assessment Tools?

	<i>Aware of</i>	<i>Use</i>
<i>Compute-A-Match</i>	___	___
<i>Career Interest Inventory</i>	___	___
<i>O*NET</i>	___	___
<i>Education Planner</i>	___	___

Please list others:

9: Do you provide:

Job shadowing opportunities?

Company tours?

Employer/Professional presentations?

10: Do you participate in Dual Enrollment or AP courses?

Do you offer or participate in any STEM initiatives? STEM stands for Science Technology Engineering and Mathematics and the goal is to increase the number of students, especially females, minorities and the underrepresented, for careers in these fields while continuing the development of effective strategies to retain, recruit and retrain our incumbent workforce in these critical fields.

If so, list the initiatives:

11: How do you engage parents in an active role in their child(s) career education?

12: Do you offer life skills workshops? (Budgeting, housing, transportation, personal hygiene)

Who provides that service?

13: Do you offer Entrepreneur education and opportunities?

14: How are you staying abreast of the changing demands of an entry level employee?

15: What information/services would you benefit from to enhance any of your programs?

16. Please utilize this space to provide us with any questions, suggestions or other information that you would like to share that will assist us in determining how we can partner with your school district to ensure that our youth are prepared to be the productive citizen's of tomorrow.

Thank you for completing this questionnaire! We would like to receive the completed questionnaire by Friday, November 14, 2008. Completed questionnaires can be faxed to Pam Streich at 814-772-7045 or returned in the self addressed – postage paid envelope.